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Japanese Utility Model Publication No. 4-64041 appears to disclose an air conditioner having a plurality of outlets as seen in Figure 1. The PCT search report indicates that page 4, lines 5 to claims 1 and 2 of the international application.

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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